

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE****METHOD, SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR  
AUTOMATIC SOFTWARE DISTRIBUTION AND INSTALLATION IN A  
5 MULTI-TIERED COMPUTER NETWORK**

A system, method, and computer program product are disclosed for providing automatic software distribution and installation throughout a multi-tiered computer  
10 architecture. The multi-tiered architecture includes a global tier, a hub tier below the global tier, and a target tier that is below the hub tier. A distribution request is received within a global computer system that is in the global tier. The distribution request is to  
15 distribute a file package to a target computer system that is in the target tier. The global computer system starts a distribution process in the hub computer system. The file package and an installation process are transferred to the hub computer system from the global  
20 computer system. The file package and installation process are automatically distributed to the target computer system from the hub computer system utilizing the distribution process. The target computer system then automatically installs the file package utilizing  
25 the installation process.